Case Studies in Environmental Medicine:

# **Trichloroethylene (TCE) Toxicity**

# **Evaluation Questionnaire and Posttest, Course Number SS3056**

**Course Goal:** To increase the primary care provider's knowledge of hazardous substances in the environment and to aid in the evaluation of potentially exposed patients.

#### **Objectives**

- Discuss the major exposure routes for trichloroethylene.
- Describe two potential environmental and occupational sources of exposure to trichloroethylene.
- State two reasons why trichloroethylene is a health hazard.
- Describe factors contributing to trichloroethylene toxicity.
- Identify evaluation and treatment protocols for persons exposed to trichloroethylene.
- List two sources of information on trichloroethylene.

# **Tell Us About Yourself**

Please carefully read the questions. Provide answers on the answer sheet (page 29). Your credit will be awarded based on the type of credit you select.

- 1. What type of continuing education credit do you wish to receive?
  - \*\*Nurses should request CNE, not CEU. See note on page 28.
  - A. CME (for physicians)
  - B. CME (for non-attending)
  - C. CNE (continuing nursing education)
  - D. CEU (continuing education units)
  - E. [Not used]
  - F. [Not used]
  - G. [Not used]
  - H. None of the above

#### 2. Are you a...

- A. Nurse
- B. Pharmacist
- C. Physician
- D. Veterinarian
- E. None of the above

#### 3. What is your highest level of education?

- A. High school or equivalent
- B. Associate, 2-year degree
- C. Bachelor's degree
- D. Master's degree
- E. Doctorate
- F. Other

# 4. Each year, approximately how many patients with trichloroethylene toxicity do you see?

- A. None
- B. 1-5
- C. 6-10
- D. 11-15
- E. More than 15

#### 5. Which of the following best describes your current occupation?

- A. Environmental Health Professional
- B. Epidemiologist
- C. Health Educator
- D. Laboratorian
- E. Physician Assistant
- F. Industrial Hygienist
- G. Sanitarian
- H. Toxicologist
- I. Other patient care provider
- J. Student
- K. None of the above

# 6. Which of the following best describes your current work setting?

- A. Academic (public and private)
- B. Private health care organization
- C. Public health organization
- D. Environmental health organization
- E. Non-profit organization
- F. Other work setting

#### 7. Which of the following best describes the organization in which you work?

- A. Federal government
- B. State government
- C. County government
- D. Local government
- E. Non-governmental agency
- F. Other type of organization

# **Tell Us About the Course**

# 8. How did you obtain this course?

- A. Downloaded or printed from Web site
- B. Shared materials with colleague(s)
- C. By mail from ATSDR
- D. Not applicable

# 9. How did you first learn about this course?

- A. State publication (or other state-sponsored communication)
- B. MMWR
- C. ATSDR Internet site or homepage
- D. PHTN source (PHTN Web site, e-mail announcement)
- E. Colleague
- F. Other

# 10. What was the most important factor in your decision to obtain this course?

- A. Content
- B. Continuing education credit
- C. Supervisor recommended
- D. Previous participation in ATSDR training
- E. Previous participation in CDC and PHTN training
- F. Ability to take the course at my convenience
- G Other

# 11. How much time did you spend completing the course, evaluation, and posttest?

- A. 1 to 1.5 hours
- B. More than 1.5 hours but less than 2 hours
- C. 2 to 2.5 hours
- D. More than 2.5 hours but less than 3 hours
- E. 3 hours or more

# 12. Please rate your level of knowledge before completing this course.

- A. Great deal of knowledge about the content
- B. Fair amount of knowledge about the content
- C. Limited knowledge about the content
- D. No prior knowledge about the content
- E. No opinion

# 13. Please estimate your knowledge gain after completing this course.

- A. Gained a great deal of knowledge about the content
- B. Gained a fair amount of knowledge about the content
- C. Gained a limited amount of knowledge about the content
- D. Did not gain any knowledge about the content
- E. No opinion

Please use the scale below to rate your level of agreement with the following statements (questions 14–25) about this course.

- A. Agree
- B. No opinion
- C. Disagree
- D. Not applicable
- 14. The objectives are relevant to the goal.
- 15. The tables and figures are an effective learning resource.
- 16. The content in this course was appropriate for my training needs.
- 17. Participation in this course enhanced my professional effectiveness.
- 18. I will recommend this course to my colleagues.
- 19. Overall, this course enhanced my ability to understand the content.
- 20. I am confident I can discuss the major exposure routes for trichloroethylene.
- 21. I am confident I can describe two potential environmental and occupational sources of exposure to trichloroethylene.
- 22. I am confident I can state two reasons why trichloroethylene is a health hazard.
- 23. I am confident I can describe factors contributing to trichloroethylene toxicity.
- 24. I am confident I can identify evaluation and treatment protocols for persons exposed to trichloroethylene.
- 25. I am confident I can list two sources of information on trichloroethylene.